BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

March 17, 1997

IN RE:

UNITED TELEPHONE-SOUTHEAST, INC. APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO PROVIDE INTERLATA INTEREXCHANGE TELEPHONE SERVICE

DOCKET NO: 96-01235

ORDER

This matter is before the Tennessee Regulatory Authority upon the filing of MCI

Telecommunications Corporations' (MCI) "Petition for Leave to Intervene" in this

proceeding on February 19, 1997. In its Petition, MCI, a holder of a Certificate of Public

Convenience and Necessity to operate as an interexchange carrier, states that its legal

rights, duties, privileges, immunities and other legal interests will be effected by and

determined in the above-captioned proceeding.

This proceeding concerns United Telephone-Southeast's (UTSE) plan to

implement IntraLATA toll dialing parity and the associated cost recovery of that toll

dialing parity plan. MCI has an interest in UTSE's implementation of toll dialing parity, as

well as its cost, because MCI is an intrastate interexchange carrier in Tennessee who may

wish to enter the intraLATA toll market in UTSE's territory.

This matter was considered at the Authority's March 4, 1997 conference at which

time the Directors voted unanimously to grant MCI's intervention request.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. MCI Telecommunications Corporation's request to intervene in the above

captioned matter is hereby granted;

- 2. Any party aggrieved with the Authority's decision in this matter may file a Petition for Reconsideration with the Authority within ten (10) days from and after the date of this Order;
- 3. Any party aggrieved with the Authority's decision in this matter has the right of judicial review by filing a Petition for Review in the Tennessee Court of Appeals, Middle Section, within sixty (60) days from and after the date of this Order.

CHAIRMAN

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EXECUTIVE SECRETARY